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KLAMATH FALLS, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1908.

CRATER LAKE.

By S. Glenn Andrus, in the Chicago Record-Herald.

(Concluded from yesterday)

"Last fall we constructed a log cabin and have now added a kitchen, using the first floor of the cabin for a dining room. We have 20 tents with good beds and bedding, and expect to increase our facilities during the season of 1909, so as to accommodate 100 guests. We expect to build fine hotels, including hot and cold water and baths. We also expect to establish some method of getting to and from the water by car. We now have a stanch gasoline launch on the lake, capable of carrying 15 passengers and one suitable for seven passengers, besides six clinker-built rowboats. Next year we expect to place at least one more commodious launch and a half dozen rowboats in commission. We also expect to establish a line of automobiles between Odessa, on Upper Klamath Lake and Crater Lake, to operate in connection with boats from Klamath Falls, whereby the trip may be made in five or six hours from this city.

"The Crater Lake good roads commission, just appointed by the Governor, of which E. H. Harriman is chairman, will doubtless secure sufficient funds to establish and maintain the best possible roads from east and west of the Cascade range to the lake, and as soon as this becomes an established fact we will put on a line of automobiles from Medford to Crater Lake, making the trip in eight hours. Along the line of roads it may not be out of the way to say the United States government contemplates the construction of an automobile road entirely around Crater Lake, on an easy grade, so built that it will be possible to reach the various high peaks without difficulty. When this is accomplished it will be practicable to build roads into the park from points heretofore considered beyond reach of the lake. All roads and trails within the park are built and maintained by the department of the interior."

Crater Lake is located on the summit of the Cascade range in southern Oregon. It rests in the crater of a mountain, which has recently been christened Mazama, and the top of which at some time disappeared, leaving a cauldron 4900 feet deep and five and one-half miles in diameter. The water fills this cauldron half full. Near the western shore of the lake is a slender cone 845 feet high, known as Wizard Island, in the top of which there is still another extinct crater. Near the shore on the eastern side is a huge pile of jagged rocks, which have received the name of Phantom Rock. With these exceptions there are no islands, and the water of the lake is so clear that a six-inch white plate can be seen at a depth of 92 feet. When looked upon from the surrounding cliffs this color is of the deepest possible blue, except close to shore, where it blends into a rich turquoise. Seen from its surface, the remarkable blue deepens and assumes a brighter hue. Usually in the early hours of the morning the surface of the lake is like glass, and in its depth is reflected every object which the earth and sky contain. At night, when this condition prevails, and the moon is full, the view that is reflected in the still depths is beautiful beyond description, as well as awe-inspiring. There can be seen, more clearly than in a mirror, the Milky Way with its myriad of stars unknown to a less clear atmosphere, the constellations which shine with a brightness undreamed of in other climes, and the moon, which seems larger and more brilliant than anywhere else, and all the other glories of the heavens.

The region about the lake is full of historic and legendary interest. In the mysterious depths of the lake, so the Indians believe, dwells the great spirit, and until recently no Indian dared scarcely look upon it for fear that the giant crawfish or dragon, which guarded the great Lo, or spirit, would in its wrath reach up

its arms even to the tops of the cliffs and drag into the cold depths of the lake any who dared to invade its mysterious realm. The lake was discovered 50 years ago by a prospecting party with J. W. Hillman at its head. In 1885 Mr. Steel began his efforts to have the region set apart as a national park, but it was not until 1902 that his efforts were crowned with success. How this great scenic wonder was created none will ever know. On account of the vast quantities of pumice spread for a distance of 10 miles in all directions about the base of the mountain, some scientists insist that here must have occurred the grandest and most awful explosion in the history of the Cascade range. That this explosion had sufficient force to tear away the mass of rock and earth that lies in a mountain cone 6000 feet high and lay it upon the surrounding country, leaving in its place a yawning chasm, is maintained by many. The presence of great lava beds in the Klamath region lead other scientists to stoutly maintain that at one time in the interior of the Mazama mountain there was formed a cone of red hot lava 8000 feet high. They assert that this lava, by the tremendous force that lay behind it, broke through the side of the mountain and flowed through its self-made crevice, covering the valleys below, and that when this great lava cone had exhausted itself the pressure of the huge upper cone of the mountain broke in the crust and it disappeared into the depths below with a crash, that must have awakened the universe, hereby forming what is now the bed of this truly marvelous lake. Whatever its origin, Crater Lake has already come to be known in the Pacific northwest as the eight wonder of the world, and Mr. Harriman, in his enthusiasm, declared this classification to be correct.

BONANZA BULLETIN ITEMS.

Born—in Langell valley, Sunday, September 6th, 1908, to Mr. and Mrs. John Driscoll, a son.

A force of men are erecting the poles for Bonanza's street lights and the current will be turned on before the end of the month. Temporarily current will be provided for this purpose and for power for the flour mill from the Gates system as the Moore Bros. plant is not completed, and electric lighting will not be available for a few weeks.

P. O. Parsons, who recently bought property here, went to Klamath Falls Friday and on his return brought his wife and son and will make this place their future home. Mr. Parsons also has one hundred acres of land about three-quarters of a mile east of Bonanza which he will have cleared and fenced this winter and have ready for putting in a crop next spring.

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NOTICE.

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A. L. LEAVITT,
Police Judge.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Lakeview, Oregon.

August 6, 1908.
Notice is hereby given that Gertrude L. Heileman, of Klamath Falls, Oregon, who, on May 25, 1908, made Timber and Stone Application, No. 4188, (Serial No. 9282), for a certain Section 17, T. 28 S., R. 19 E., W.M., has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before County Clerk, Klamath Co., at his office, at Klamath Falls, Oregon, on the 12th day of October, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Augusta J. Hayden, W. W. Mendenhall, Wm. Heileman, B. E. Hayden, all of Klamath Falls, Oregon.

J. N. WATSON,
Register.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Lakeview, Oregon.

August 19, 1908.
Notice is hereby given that Dunn W. Bursell, of Merrill, Oregon, who, on Dec. 16, 1904, made Homestead Entry, No. 3336 (Serial No. 9382), for sec. 12, T. 27 S., R. 19 E., W. M., has filed notice of intention to make final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, at Lakeview, Oregon, on the 5th day of October, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Mark Howard, of Merrill, Oregon, Frank Johnston, of Klamath Falls, Oregon, Roy Whitney, of Klamath Falls, Oregon, Chas. Wagar, of Klamath Falls, Oregon.

J. N. WATSON,
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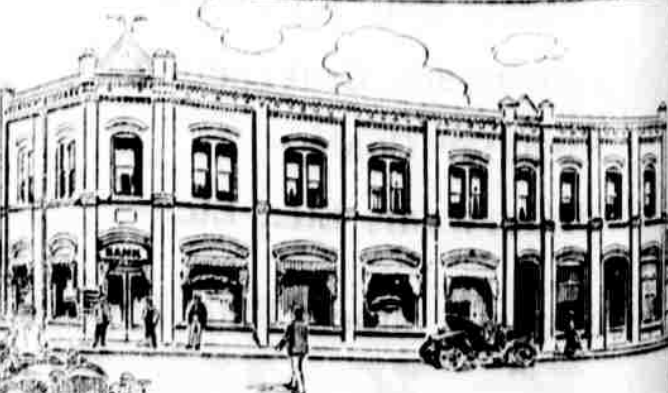
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